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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re : Phillip Fields Hayward  
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Sir:

PETITION PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a)

Applicant respectfully petitions that the time to respond to an Office Action mailed October 9, 2003, which was due January 9, 2004, be extended three (3) months to April 9, 2004.

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Applicant is submitting concurrently herewith a Reply Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111 in response to the Office Action.

A check in the amount of \$475.00 (small entity fee) is attached.

If there are any questions, we urge the Examiner to call us. Please charge any costs in connection with this document to our Deposit Account No. 16-0875.

Respectfully Submitted,  
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